

Vincennes history Collection
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1669-1950
1 mss box, 4 os folders, 2 vols

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Historical Note:

Vincennes is the county seat of Knox County, Indiana. It was formerly the capital of the Old Northwest Territory, and is considered to be the oldest town in Indiana. Legend holds that the town was actually settled circa 1683 by French traders. Settlers arrived in Vincennes in 1727 and a fort was built in 1732 under the command of François-Marie Bissot, Sieur de Vincennes. Vincennes is the home of Fort Sackville, which was captured by the British in 1778 and recaptured the following year by George Rogers Clark. This episode is considered by history to be an important, yet underrated, moment in the American Revolutionary War. These items were collected by Curtis Bland, who was a physician in Terre Haute

Sources:

Baker, Ronald L. and Marvin Carmony. Indiana Place Names. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1975.

"Vincennes, Indiana." Wikipedia.org. 28 Mar. 2006 <<http://wikipedia.org>.>

Scope and Content Note:

This collection contains materials pertaining to the history of Vincennes, Indiana. Included are proceedings of the Borough of Vincennes, land sales, indentures, land grants, and miscellaneous items related to Vincennes history.

Box and Folder Listing:

1 Box.

Folder

1. Miscellaneous Vincennes history, 1808-1950
2. Land sales, indentures, and land grants, 1773-1858
3. Proceedings of the Trustees of the Borough of Vincennes, 1815-1816
4. Proceedings of the Borough of Vincennes, Feb. 1816-July 1818
5. Proceedings of the Borough of Vincennes, July 1818-Mar. 1826
6. Proceedings of the Borough of Vincennes, Mar. 1826-Mar. 1836
7. Oldest Indiana Deed, 1669

B41

undated Vincennes history placemat

OB3

Folder

- 17. Knox County election returns, June 1818-Aug. 1826
- 18. Knox County War Department correspondences, Aug. 1803-Dec. 1812

OBC50

1929 Mar. 26 Vincennes plat map

Volumes.

- 198-1 Collection of Songs and Verses and Epigrams for Young Alison [French]
- 198-2 Records of board of school district no. 2

Collection Information:

<i>Size of Collection:</i>	1 manuscript box, 4 oversize folders, 2 volumes
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